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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS) US, AF
SUBJECT: LONDON STOP

REF: SECTO 8023, STATE 182211 (TOSEC 80075)

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1. AS I REPORTED TO MOOSE LAST NIGHT, MY TALK WITH OWEN
YESTERDAY REASSURES ME THAT U.S. AND UK IN RELIABLE
AGREEMENT ON ALL MAJOR ISSUES. OWEN IS CONFIDENT OF UN-
QUALIFIED CABINET SUPPORT AND YESTERDAY OBTAINED UNANI-
MOUS SUPPORT FROM CABINET COMMITTEE ON SOUTHERN AFRICA.
I INFORMED MOOSE THAT OWEN WISHES TO AVOID PRECASTING
DETAIL OF SIZE OF UN FORCE AND SPECIFICS OF RELATION-
SHIP TO CIVIL AUTHORITY BUT HAS NO RESERVATION ABOUT
WHATEVER FORCE PROVES NECESSARY AND PRACTICAL. AS HE
STATED IN WASHINGTON, OWEN THINKS UN FORCE WILL HAVE TO
BE MORE SUPERVISORY THAN ACTIVELY MILITARY, HENCE IN-
EVITABLY DEPENDENT ON RHODESIA DEFENSE AND POLICE FOR-
CES. OWEN ALSO AGREES ON THREAT OF SANCTIONS LEVERAGE
ON SOUTH AFRICA, ALTHOUGH WOULD NOT SEE EVER GOING TO
MOST EXTREME MEASURES SUCH AS BLOCKADE MENTIONED IN U.S.
PAPER. I SEE NO NEED TO CHANGE OR QUALIFY ROLE OF

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PRESIDENT'S TALK WITH NYERERE IN THE SCENARIO, AND HAVE
SO REPORTED TO MOOSE. OWEN IS ON HOLIDAY ALTHOUGH
AVAILABLE FOR CHRISTOPHER CALL.

2. PETERSON OF MOOSE'S OFFICE WILL ARRIVE LONDON ON
9TH. MOOSE WILL ARRIVE LONDON ON 11TH. MOOSE WILL ASK
BOWDLER TO COME FROM PRETORIA AND LOW TO COME FROM

LUSAKA IN TIME FOR BRIEFING BREAKFAST WITH YOU EARLY MORNING OF 12TH. OWEN SUGGESTS MEETING WITH YOU AND BOTH TEAMS ON AFRICA 9:30 AT FCO. YOU AND HE AND PER-HAPS THE TWO AMBASSADORS TO SOUTH AFRICA WOULD LUNCH WITH BOTHA AT CARLTON TERRACE AND CONTINUE THEREAFTER AS LONG AS NECESSARY. PRESUMABLY THERE WOULD BE ENOUGH TIME TO PERMIT YOUR SCHEDULED DEPARTURE NO LATER THAN 1700 ON THE 12TH. HOPE YOU AND GAY WILL STAY AT WIN-FIELD UNLESS YOU PREFER OTHERWISE.

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